

Beyond 1999:

FAFSA and Delivery System  
Updates

# Today's Topics:

- Changes to the 1999-2000 Application Processing System
- Enhancements to EDExpress
- The New RFMS
- Changes to the Title IV WAN

# Printable FAFSA

- Go to [ifap.ed.gov](http://ifap.ed.gov)
- Click on Bookshelf Icon
- Select FAFSA Instructions
- Click on 1999-2000 Award Year
- Select FAFSA Instructions
- Red Icon=PDF/Printable File

# Adobe Acrobat Reader

- Available from:  
[www.adobe.com](http://www.adobe.com)

# Paper FAFSA Inserts

- Supplemental information page
- Postcard applicants can mail with application

# FAFSA “On-the-Web”

- 1997 Applicants: 35,000
- 1998 Applicants: 227,000

# FAFSA “On-the-Web” Advantages

- Easy to Use
- No software to download/install
- Use on any platform
- Answer only relevant questions
- Helps applicants detect/correct errors before submitting

# Reject B

- Occurs when students might be too young to attend college



# Reject W

- Occurs with unusually large household size

# EFC

- Estimated Family Contribution

# Action Letters

- Click on "Bookshelf" Icon
- Identify year
- Select letter

# Renewal Application Process

- October 15, 1998: Renewal Requests
- November 6: Renewal Application Request
- December 1: Schools receive Renewal Applications
- Nov. 23 to January 8, 1999: Students receive Renewal Applications

# Renewal FAFSA

- Student's previous year data is displayed for student to verify or change

# Electronic Access Codes

- As of November 24, 1998  
Students will be able to request EAC from website

# Automatic EACs

- Students filing 1998-99 FAFSA/Renewal FAFSA
- Graduate/5th year students continuing education in 1999-2000

# Automatic EACs

- Students can request EAC through FAFSA website



# SAR

- Simplified Instruction & Code Pages
- Questions revised
- DRN on front page

# 1999-2000

- System-generated transactions sent to schools in separate message class

# NSLDS

- "FFELP/Direct Loans" section re-organized
- "Unsubsidized Loans" field renamed "Combined Loans"
- Pell Grant data shows "Third Record"
- New "Grade Level" field in "Loan Detail" section
- SAR/ISIR when student in excess of limit
- SAR/ISIR "Comment": when student within one annual loan of aggregate limit

# NSLDS/VA “Match”

- 1 Veteran Status confirmed
- 2 Not qualifying veteran
- 3 Not found on database
- 4 On active duty

# NSLDS/SSA “Match”

- Against “Date of Death Field”
- Against “Prisoner’s File”

# NSLDS

- Renewal Apps who confirm only one name last year: No "Reject N"
- "Rejects 2 & 3" combined

# EDExpress v5.0 Test

- 16-bit vs. 32-bit
- 200 MHz Pentium
- Windows 95
- PC connected to Novell Network
- 4,160 records imported

# EDExpress

- 16-bit version: 2 hours, 11 minutes
- 32-bit version: 1 minute, 9 seconds



# EDExpress

- Version 5.0: December 1998
- Version 5.1: Spring 1999

# FISAP

- FISAP Report: Oct. 1, 1998
- Department Edit Report: Nov. 15, 1998
- Tentative Award Amounts: February 1999
- Final Awards: April 1999

# 2000-2001 FISAP

- 32-bit
- Importing of data
- Importing branch campus listing with previous year files
- Electronic award notifications
- FWS/FSEOG application for additional allocation of funds

# New RFMS

- Improves current system
- Moves toward Title IV processes & data standards
- Helps with program fund shortfalls

# EASI

- Easy
- Access for
- Students &
- Institutions

# New RFMS

- Key concepts of EASI
- Student-centered delivery systems
- Single point-of-contact
- Secure

# Institutions submit

- 1 origination record for each student
- 1 disbursement record for each disbursement to student

# IFAP Website

- Origination record layouts
- Disbursement record layouts
- Action Letter #2



# Origination Records

- Verify eligibility
- Set up disbursement record processing
- Early identification of conflicts

# Disbursement Records

- Report disbursement amounts

# Acknowledgement

- New feature
- Describes whether disbursement record accepted/rejected
- System changes to data

# ESOA

- Electronic
- Statement
- Of
- Account

# Multiple Reporting Record

- Student Information
- Other schools at which student is scheduled to receive Pell funds

# Student Payment Summary (SPS)

- Eliminated
- "Year-to-Date" summary replaces

# Special Disbursement Record

- Number
- Start/end dates
- Total payment
- Additional information

# Just-in-Time

- Pilot program
- 1999-2000 award year



# "Dear Colleague" Letter (P-98-5)

- Pilot/participation information

# New RFMS

- Origination Records
- Disbursement Records
- Acknowledgement
- Batch Processing in 24-36 hours
- Minimizes overawards
- Standard electronic transactions

# New RFMS Information

- "Dear Colleague" Letters
- Electronic Access Conference
- Presentations
- Training
- IFAP Webpage
- Telephone: 1-800-4PGRANT
- E-mail: [#pell\\_systems@ed.gov](mailto:#pell_systems@ed.gov)

# Enrollment Document

- Application for participation in Title IV WAN
- Participation in Electronic Data Exchange Program
- On-line access to NSLDS
- Enroll for FISAP services
- Access to Direct Loan Borrower Delinquency Report
- Changes to demographic data/Title IV WAN services

# Title IV WAN Requirements

- IBM/Compatible PC
- 200 MHz Pentium processor or compatible
- 64 MB RAM
- 4.0 GB Hard Drive
- 56K Analog modem
- 3.5"/1.44 MB Diskette drive
- 12X CD-ROM drive w/sound board
- Laser printer

# Title IV WAN Requirements

- Windows 95/NT/98 Operating System
- 32-bit Operating System
- Internet Service Provider
- Internet Browser

# EDConnect

- 32-bit version: December 1998
- TCP/IP Protocol
- More flexible/functional
- Pop-up menus
- Long filenames

# Implementation of Changes

- Phase 1: All schools switched to 32-bit  
(End of 1998)
- Phase 2: Move to internet  
(March 1999)



# Website

- Distribute software/documentation
- Customer service site

# Electronic Access Conference (EAC)

- "Connecting for Success"
- Register at:  
[edeworkshop.walcoff.com](http://edeworkshop.walcoff.com)
- Free of charge

# 1998 EACs

- Kansas City, MO: November 17-19
- Washington, DC: December 1-3
- Coronado, CA: December 15-17

# 1999 EACs

- Miami, FL: November 2-4
- Keystone, CO: November 15-17
- San Antonio, TX: December 15-17